

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

# AS-NEEDED EMERGENCY REMOVAL OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 3 VOTES

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Approve supplementing Public Works' "As-Needed Emergency Removal of Hazardous Materials" program.
- 2. Authorize Public Works to encumber an additional \$315,000 to increase the program's current year's not-to-exceed amount from \$350,000 to \$665,000. Funds are available in Public Works' 2002-03 budget.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On December 10, 2002, Synopsis 26, your Board approved Contract 74247 with Foss Environmental Services Company, located in Long Beach, California; Contract 74248 with Ocean Blue Environmental Services, Inc., located in Long Beach, California; and Contract 74249 with United Pumping Service, Inc., located in Industry, California, to provide as-needed emergency removal, hauling, and disposal of hazardous materials deposited on Public Works' facilities by a known or unknown third party. These contracts are for a period of one year which just commenced on December 31, 2002, with two 1-year renewal options not to exceed a total contract period of three years. The purpose of the recommended action is to supplement the current year's not-to-exceed amount for this program. We have had four major spills in the past month that have resulted in expenditures of \$315,000. This volume of spills is an unusual occurrence that has not

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happened in the past. The supplemental amount will provide enough funding through the remaining nine months of the program's first year.

## Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

These contracts are consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence. These services are to be provided on a part-time and intermittent basis and the contractors have the appropriate licenses and expertise to complete the work, which will allow Public Works to provide these services to the public in a more responsive manner.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The additional \$315,000 to be encumbered will increase the program's current year's not-to-exceed amount from \$350,000 to \$665,000. Funds are available in Public Works' 2002-03 budget to cover this supplement. There will be no impact on net County cost.

## **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The terms, prices, conditions, requirements, and specifications of the contracts will remain unchanged.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The approval of this request will not result in any impact on other current services or projects.

#### CONCLUSION

One approved copy of this letter is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office County Counsel